

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 758

By Kurita

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Mildred Riggins Smith on the celebration of 100th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Mildred Riggins Smith will celebrate her 100th birthday on March 4, 2004, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Edward Lawrence and Sara Frances Lisenbee Riggins, Ms. Riggins was born and raised in Montgomery County; she attended Liberty Elementary and New Providence Elementary Schools in her youth; and

WHEREAS, Mildred Smith is a highly respected lifelong member of the Clarksville community; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Ms. Smith served with acumen and alacrity as an employee of the Petri Cigar factory, in which position she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 1930, Mildred Riggins was joined in marriage with William Arthur Smith and the couple's blessed union produced two children, Billy Ray Smith and Myra Lucille Smith Shelby; and

WHEREAS, as she approaches her eleventh decade, Mildred Smith basks fondly in the love and adoration of her family, including grandchildren Lesa Smith Goder, Wendy Smith Weis, Rickey Shelby, and Brian Shelby, and her great-grandchildren Matthew Smith Goder and Megan Layne Goder; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Midred Riggins Smith on the celebration of her 100th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for every future happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.